(c) Detailed instructions have been issued to all the Central Government hospitals to, interalia, have a check done on the down time of hospital equipment, fix responsibility for getting the repairs attended to promptly, review the outcome on a weekly basis and to take a number of related measures to improve the system for maintenance and repair of equipments. Government of NCT of Delhi has also been advised similarly.

In order to instil a sense of accountability, orders have been given to the Central Government hospitals to display the position about major non-functional equipments so that there is pressure to set right such machines at an early date.

गुजरात और त्रिपुरा के ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में दवाइयों पर किया जाने वाला प्रति-व्यक्ति व्यय

4041. **श्री अनन्तराय देवशंकर दवे:** क्या स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) गुजरात और त्रिपुरा के ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में दवाइयों पर किया जाने वाला प्रति-व्यक्ति व्यय कितना है;

(ख) क्या उक्त राज्य सरकारों ने इस व्यय-सीमा को बढ़ाने के लिए कोई प्रस्ताव प्रस्तुत किया है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो सरकार की इस पर क्या प्रतिक्रिया है?

विधि और न्याय मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री रमाकान्त डी॰ खलप): (क) प्राथमिक स्वास्थ्य केन्द्रों और सामुदायिक स्वास्थ्य केन्द्रों पर दवाएं राज्य सरकारों द्वारा सप्लाई की जाती है। केन्द्रीय सरकार राज्य सरकारों को एक उप केन्द्र के लिए, जो मैदानी क्षेत्रों में लगभग 5000 जनसंख्या और आदिवासी/पहाड़ी क्षेत्रों में 3000 जनसंख्या की जरूरतों को पूरा करता है, दवाओं हेतु केवल 2,000/- रुपये प्रतिवर्ष वित्तीय सहायता प्रदान करता है।

(ख) परिवार कल्याण विभाग में ऐसा कोई प्रस्ताव प्राप्त नहीं हुआ है।

(ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Compliance of Free Treatment Facility to the poor by Private Hospitals

4042. SHRI LAKKHIRAM AGARWAL:
SHRI S.M. KRISHNA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Apollo Hospital yet to keep promises" that appeared in The Hindustan Times dated the 8th March, 1997;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto;

(c) the terms and conditions fixed while allowing other private hospitals and nursing homes to operate in Delhi particularly Batra Hospital, Moolachand Hospital, Gangaram Hospital and Escort Heart Institute;

(d) how far these private hospitals have complied with the norms for providing free treatment facilities to poor people; and

(e) whether the licence of such hospitals would be cancelled for violating such norms?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. As per the agreement with the Administrator, Delhi and M/s Apollo Hospital, it was decided to jointly promote and to register a Public Limited Company under the name of "Indraprastha Medical Corporation Ltd." with the objective of setting up a hospital in Delhi. It was agreed among other things that the Corporation will make available not less than one third of total capacity of 600 beds for the poor and also treat 40% poor out patients free. Free treatment facilities have not been made available. The Corporation has informed that the hospital has not been fully commissioned, however, the Board of Directors of Indraprastha Medical Corporation Ltd. are

considering to commence extending free treatment facility.

(c) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Action against Restaurant/Dhaba/Tea-Shop Owners to Prevent the Spread of Dengue

4043. SHRI VIRENDRA KATARIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are contemplating an action plan for tackling the possible outbreak of a dengue fever epidemic;

(b) whether Government have become complacent in the drive against the spread of dengue epidemic and Delhi High Court had directed to file an action plan on dengue;

(c) if so, whether the said action plan would include action against the restaurant/Dhaba/tea-shop owners who throw filth and garbage on road-sides in front of their premises where mosquitoes breed;

(d) whether Government are aware that this problem is acute in Karol Bagh, East Park Road, Lajpat Nagar and other crowded market places; and

(e) if so, the details of action proposed to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP): (a) to (e) An Action Plan for prevention & control of Dengue and Guidelines for preparation of Contingency Plan for tackling possible outbreaks of Dengue have been prepared and circulated to all the State Government including the Govt. of NCT of Delhi The measures proposed include:—

— Intensification of surveillance activities;

— Vector control measures;

— Strengthening of hospital services for proper management of cases;

— intensification of information, education and communication activities;

— Source reduction;

— Organisation of training programmes; and mass awareness campaigns by the local bodies.

Emergency Services of Charak Palika Hospital Moti Bagh, New Delhi

4044. SHRI V. KISHORE CHANDRA S. DEO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether 24 hours emergecny services are being provided in the Charak Palika Hospital, Moti Bagh, New Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether Government are aware that the said hospital is not attending to accidental cases;

(e) if so, the reasons therefore; and

(f) the steps taken to ensure that patients suffering from accidential injuries are properly attended to by the said hospital?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP): (a) and (b) The emergency services are provided round the clock in the disciplines of Medicines, Surgery, Gynae, Orthopaedic, Radiology and Laboratory investigations. The specialists in the respective branches are always on call duty.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) to (f) Due to lack of medicolegal facilities, cases are referred to major hospitals such as Safdarjung Hospital, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital etc. after providing first-aid/emergency treatment.